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## ITALY DECLARES WAR UPON THE TURKISH EMPIRE

Rome Ambassador Hands Porte Note Saying State of hostilities Already Existing.

HE DEMANDS HIS PASSPORTS

Reasons Given Are Support by Ottomans of Revolt in Libya Province.

RESIDENTS KEPT IN SYRIA

LONDON, Aug. 21 .- A steffani news agency dispatch from Rome says Italy has declared war against Turkey.

BULLETIN.

LONDON, Aug. 21,-Italy has declared war against Turkey and the Italian ambassador has left Constantinople. This announcement is made in Reuter Telegram from Constantinople via Berlin and Amster-

LONDON, Aug. 21 .- Marquis Di Garroni, Italian ambassador to Turkey today handed to the Porte a note declaring Italy considered itself in a state of war with Turkey and demanded his passports, according to an official telegram from Constantinople received at Amsterdam and transmitted to the Central News.

The reasons given in the note for Italy's declaration of war were the support by Turkey to the Revolt in Libya and the prevention of the departure of Italian residents from

### Ruef Serves Half His Sentence and Released on Parole

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 21.-Abraham Ruef, once a power in San Francisco politics, serving a fourteen-year sentence for offering a bribe to a San Francisco supervisor, was paroled today from Sau Quentin penitentiary by the State Board

Ouentin pentientiary by the State Board of Prison Directors.

Ruef's parole provides that he shall go to Mendocino county, where he has a Governor, Says His Duty to Battle Craft Sunk in Clash of State department that further informations and the Arabic county. made so that he might not be charged with renewing activity in San Francisc

paten is under way. tin until Monday, because of delay making out necessary papers.

Ruef has spent four years, five months and fifteen days behind prison walls. He was sentenced to fourteen years' imprisonment for having offered a bribe to Supervisor J. J. Furny. His conviction was one of the results of the famous San Francisco graft prosecutions.

With full credits for good behavior his fourteen-year sentence was automatically reduced to eight years and ten months. He has served half of this, the minimum requisite for parole. But in addition to his prison term Ruef spent three years the San Francisco county jull after his first indictment in November, 1905, offices, on a charge of extortion, which was

### All Americans On Arabic Except Two Accounted For

QUEENSTOWN, Aug. 21-(Via Lon-Americans on the White Star line steamer Arable, torpedoed Thursday by a German submarine, the United States consulate reports that the only Americans missing are Mrs. Josephine L. Brugulere and Dr. Edmond T. Woods.

### Nine Auto Parties Robbed in Butte

county officials are searching today for way commission consists of three offifive highwaymen who held up and robbed cers elected by the people. At the presnine successive automobile parties in cut time Henry T. Clarke, Jr., H. C. Butte last night. Estimate of the losses Taylor and Thomas L. Hall are attemptof the motoriets in cash and jewelry ap- ing to act in the capacity of officers of proximates \$5,000. The victims, several the state railway commission. of them women, were arranged in a row each has taken the oath of office-neither. and forced to hand over their valuables, of them have ever given a \$6,60 bond as

### The Weather

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity Fair; not much change in temperature. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.



Comparative Local Record.

THE STEAMSHIP ARABIC, bows on, as it sailed from MAY ASK KAISER Liverpool for America, only to be torpedoed by a German submarine off Fastnet.



### REED HOLDS RAIL 4 WARSHIPS LOST BOARD IS ILLEGAL

hold office and it is up to Governor official announcement. Morehead to appooint three men to fill their positions, acording to an

opinion of Attorney General Reed. quired by the statutes, and consequently are deprived of the right to hold the

This may or may not invalidate all acts of the commission in the past, the attorney general not being prepared to give

Needs Court Decisions. to say regarding the letter of Attorney General Reed after receiving it. To newapaper men he simply said that he would do nothing for a time, but intimated that the attorney general would be required to bring in some court decisions before the executive would take any action. The attorney general is of the opinion

State Treasurer Hall says he will continue to pay warrants presented by the commissioners for salaries when they

Text of Opinion. Following is the attorney general's

pinion to the governor: "Under the constitution the state railrequired by Section 15, article 5 of the (Continued on Page Two, Column One.

### Four Liners Sail for Europe with 2,000 Passengers

ties of German submarines had no apparent effect on sailings of trans-Atlantic ships from this port today. Four liners flying American, British, French and Italian flags, with more than two thousand passengers on board, in addition to full cargoes of exports, sailed

or prepared to sall before night. The Cupard liner Orduna, with 215 passengers, of whom seven are Americans, left port at 10:30 a. m. for Liverpool, The American line steamship New York Temperature and precipitation departs
The French line steamship La Touraine
was to sail at noon with 60 passengers
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# IN RIGA GULF FRAY

ULLETIN. LINCOLN, Aug. 21,—(Special.)— PETROGRAD (via London), Aug. Arabic Situation Members of the state railway com- 21 .-- A British submarine has tormission, Henry T. Clark, H. G. Tay- pedoed a German cruiser in the Ballor and T. L. Hall, have no right to tic sea. This statement is made in an

BERLIN, Aug. 21.-Three Rus-The democratic afficial in a message to ship, all small vessels, have been sitate the flotation of a large domestic the governor alleges that the commis- sunk in the battle in the Gulf of loan to meet possible emergencies caused sieners have rever given a bond as re- Riga. Announcement tto this effect further unsettlement in the stock market was made today.

the other was damaged. \_\_\_

The Russian vessels which were sunk Governor Morehead would have little and a torpedo boat. The German ships to say regarding the letter of Attorney sunk or put out of commission were all General Reed after receiving it. To news. boat was escorted to port.

Are Slater Ships, The Sivutch and Koreets were alater ships of 876 tons displacement. They were 218 feet long, thirty-six feet beam and eight feet deep. They were armed there is nothing for the governor to do with two 47 inch guns and four three-now, but to appoint successors to the inch guns. Their normal complement was 140 men each.

For nearly a fornight a powerful German squadron was engaged in an attempt to force an entrance to the Gulf of Riga for the purpose of assisting the German army, which occupies the western coast of the gulf. The Russians as at 274. an attack delivered by nine German battleships, twelve cruisers and a large number of destroyers.

Later the Russians announced the their warships had been drawn in closer Liner Cymric Convoyed Through on account of the superiority of the Liner Cymric Convoyed Through German squadron and an official communication received last night from Petrograd said that a German fleet had penetrated the gulf and engaged the Rusman vessels.

Not in Gulf. PETROGRAD, Aug. 21 (via London). -The newspaper Russky Invalid states that the chief units of the Russian Baltic fleet are not in the Gulf of Riga. where a German fleet has entered and engaged Russian naval defenders. The Gulf of Riga, the newspaper declares, is defended by mines and small war-

### Juror in Lawson Case Arrested on Perjury Charge

TRINIDAD, Colo., Aug. 21.-Grover Hall, a member of the jury which on May 3 convicted John R. Lawson, inter-

## TO EXPLAIN THE ARAB.C ATTACK

State Department Intimates that the German Government's Attention Will Be Called to the Incident.

ACTION WILL NOT BE HASTY Will Cive Opportunity to Present

Mitigating Gircumstances, if

There Are Any. ONLY TWO AMERICANS LOST

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 .- It was announced at the State department today that Ambassador Gerard probably will be directed to call the German government's attention to the sinking of the White Star liner Arable and to invite any explanation.

This was the first indication from official source that Germany would have an opportunity to give the reasons for the attack, apparently in disregard of President Wilson's solemn warning that such an act would be regarded as deliberately unfriendly.

The State department's attitude is that if the German government has any facts which, in its opinion, go to mitigate the circumstances of the attack, the Berlin foreign office should have opportunity to

Will Act Deliberately. Today's announcement, moreover, indicates that before President Wilson takes any action there may be some exchange of explomatic communication.

It is stated that the State department's policy is to show the utmost deliberation consistent with the delicate question and to omit no opportunity of avoiding a severance with German so long as there is a reasonable expectation that a suffluient excuse can be given for the sinking of the Arabic.

Although it has been reported that the German embassy has evidence that Cap-tain Finch of the Arabic had been warned and attempted to escape before the torpedo was discharged, if was said at the State department that no information of that kind had been received from the German embassy or from any other official quarter.

President Wilson and Secretary Lans-ing late this afternoon conferred over the sinking of the liner Arabic. Mr. Lansing went to the White House with two mes-sages from Ambassador Page, which es-inclinated definitely that at least two

tion regarding the sinking of the Arabic would be secured before the president dewith renewing activity in San Franciscal NO BONDS ARE NOW ON FILE TWO TEUTON BOATS CRIPPLED (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

## Causes Further Break in Stocks

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.-The possibility. sian darships and one German war-isting relations with Germany may neces-

At the outset only the specialties were Two other German warships were materially affected, but later when it beput out of commission during the came known that the Arabic had not engagement. One ran ashore and been under convoy, the entire list began to weaken on heavy offerings of stand-

ard shares.
Losses of 2 to 3 points were register were the gunboats Sivutch and Koreets, by Union Pacific and Reading, and United States Steel, which fell a point to 72% in the early dealings, soon declined to 7L Increased weakness was shown in the later dealings, declines concurring with istration probably would make representations: regarding the Arabic incident through its ambassador at Berlin. Steel, Union Pacific and R aling were

fell to lowest prices of the week, steel losing 34 at 704; while Union Pacific's losing 3% at 70%; while Union Pacific's supplied further proof. Unfortunately government contemplates iniation of decline at 145% was 2 points, and Reading's Germany's enemies are not yet inclined measures to relieve as far as possible

War stocks were the greatest sufferers with recommions of 3 to 11 points, Both- defeats. Their leading statesmen only lehem Steel losing the maximum amount General Motors fell 9% to 200, serted that they repelled on August 5 and New York Air Brakes 61/2 at 1261/4; minimum prices prevailed at the feverish and excited close.

THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY AND HIS FAVORITE HORSE-During the war the kaiser has spent almost all his time with the troops, crossing from one front to the other, according to the importance of the fighting. The figure of the emperor and his splendid mount is familiar to almost every soldier at the front.



### SOCIALISTS SERVE COTTON DECLARED WAR CONTRABAND NOTICE ON KAISER

CIVIL LIBERTY FOR GERMANS

BERLIN, Aug. 21 .- (Via London.) In the course of a debate today in the Reichstag Dr. Eduard David, the socialist leader, said:

German people, as in all other peo- afternoon. ple, a longing for the day of restora-Every day of the war means further frightful destruction of values.

declaration of our party made in the early tomorrow. Reichstag. We adhere to the principle declared on August 4, 1914, that an end must be made to the war as later dealings, declines concurring with an end index be made to the clared cotton absolute contraband. While advices, from Washington that the admin- soon as our enemies are inclined to the circumstances might have justified make peace.

Lust Must Not Prevail.

among the many important shares which said we were waging no war of conquest to peace, notwithstanding their severe recently asserted the determination to crushed and their plans for conquest are realised. They are still looking for allies (Centinued on Page Two, Column Three.)

# Dr. David, in Speech in Reichstay Britain in Announcing it Says

FRANCE WILL DO THE SAME

LONDON, Aug. 21 .- Cotton has "There lives in the hearts of the ment issued by the forein office this

tion of peace. It were ill for human- overnment proposes to initiate meas- In the Argonne fighting with mines ity if it were otherwise. The Euro- ures to relieve depression that mint pean peoples are bleeding from thou- temporarily distress the cotton marsands and thousands of wounds, ket because of the contraband order, explos

It was learned upon inquiry at the foreign office that the French gov- of the enemy, one at Fries-Sur- So: "Therefore, I point again to the ernment will issue similar notice Lorraine, were completely repulsed

the Announcement. The announcement fillows:
-fills malesty's government has de-

such action at an earlier period, his majesty's government are glad to think "Lust for conquest must not prolong that local conditions of the American interests likely to be affected are more favorable for such a step than they were and the chancellor's speech yesterday a year ago, and moreover, his majesty's any abnormal depression which might temporarily disturb market conditions."

### Germany Expects To Collect Cost of War from Enemies

BERLIN, Aug. 20.—(Via Amsterdam nd London.)—Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the German imperial treasury speaking in the Reichstag on the second reading of the war toan of \$2,500,000,000 "Until now twenty billion marks have been voted and our estimates of that the Cymric had been convoyed for sembled and assigned their repective war needs still are exceeded by real expenditures. The expenditure in one month is higher by one-third than the total expenditure for the war of 1870, but every German knows that the sacrifices will not be in vain. The grant of new millions means a guarantee of unmovable determination on the part of the German people.

"During the war we will not increase vessel of the destroyer type, was sighted the gigantic burden of the people by new The Cymric took virtually the same sheet, apparently awaiting the Cymric's taxation. A tax on war profits can only be raised at the conclusion of the war. The heavy burden of thousands of milias will be borne through decades by the instigators of the war and not by us Continuing, Dr. Heifferich declared speculative business which already had revived, had to be suspended as all available meney was needed by the fatherland. Subscriptions to the third war loan, he said, could be made through the post-

## CZAR'S ARMIES FAIL TO CHECK **TEUTON ONRUSH**

Only Check to Invaders is at Ossowetz Where They Are Unable to Make Use of Their Heavy Guns.

ERMAN FORCES EAST OF BUG

Russian Defense Along Bailystock-Brest-Litovsk Line Now Virtually Impossible.

FRENCH LOSE NEAR ARRAS

BULLETIN.

BERLIN, Aug. 21,-(Via London.) -- The Germans have captured the Russian town of Bielsk, twentyfive miles south of Bialwstok, and have driven the Russians over the Biala river, acording to an official announcement given out by the Gormany army headquarters staff.

LONDON, Aug. 21,-The Russian field armies are fighting desperately. but vainly, to check the onrush of the Germans and Austrians. Novogeorgievak, the last Polish fortress to hold out, has fallen. Ossowetz, to the north of Poland, has restricted the invaders thus far only because of the murshy nature of the curroundt & country, which prevenes the Oscilla s. from employing their beavy and co South of Brest-Litowek, Field alar-

hal Von Mackenson's forces have penetrated far beyond the Bug. Other German armies east of that river render a serious Russian defense along the Bialystok-Brest-Litovsk line virtually impossible. The mysterious naval battle in the Guif

of Riga was still in progress at the time of the latest report from Potrograd. which, however, gave no details as to the magnitude of the action. Along the other front no important

changes are recorded, with the exception of the French admission of inability to hold the Lens-Arras crossroads recently

Balkan States May Join Alites. The diplomatic problem in the near east has been brought appreciably nearer a solution by the formation of a Greek ministry under the premiership of M. Venizelos and the indisasters that the uncompromising attitude of the military faction in Serbia against Bulgaria's claims are being broken down.

After forty sight hours of unusualization

After torty-eight hours of unusualnetivmen traversing the naval war sone, Ger-Says Lust for Conquest Must Action Will Be Taken to Miti-withdrawn to their bases. Belief is expressed that the White Star liner Boyle is safely in port. It is now definitely established that only two Americans who were passengers on the Arabic are miss-

> French Official Report. PARIS, Aug. E.-The French war office been declared absolute contraband this afternoon gave out a statement of by Great British, accordin to a state—the progress of hostilities which reads: lery fighting in the Artois district between the Olse and the Alane, in the The statement declares that the Champagne district and in the Vosges. consolidated the crater made by a mine

### Austrian Airmen Defeated in Fight by Italian 'Planes

PARIS, Aug. II.-Italian aeroplanes defeated an Austrian air squadron off the Adriatic coast, according to a dispatch to the Figure from Turin. Three of the Austrian machines were brought down and their crews were either killed or made prisoners. The Figure's correspond ent says that the Italian squadron forced an engagement upon the Austrians after a long, stern chase. The Italian aviators returned to their base without loss or injury.

### The Day's War News

BRITISH GOVERNMENT today of. ficially declared that the White Star liner Arabic, sunk by a German submarine, was not being convoyed when it was torpedoed. PACTS REGARDING the stuking of the Arabic, with the less of two American lives, are being gath-ered by the Washington government, which has not as yet officially commented upon the disas-

reported to the Italian cabinet on the Turkish situation, declaring Turkish provocations of Italy to have become intolerable. Reare that Italy will ask the porte declare entegorically whether Italian subjects will be permitted to leave Turkish possess

BULGARIA HAS concentrated 150,-000 troops on the Turkish fron-tier, according to a disputch from Saloniki received in Italy. PETROGRAD OFFICIALLY

nounced in a dispatch received into last night that a strong German fleet had penetrated the Gulf of Riga and was engaging the Russian navel forces there.

that troops of Grand Duke Nichoagainst the Germans northwest of the fortress of Brest-Littorak.

#### War Zone by Relays of Battleships NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—Passengers and tore the Cymric was out of the Mersey, crew of the White Star liner Cymric sailors provisioned life boats and swung asserted upon their arrival here today them outward. The passengers were as-

11, by relays of British warships, five be no confusion in emergency. in number, and that it had not been When clear of Liverpool harbor, the the war zone had been left behind. Sev- ly a converted yacht, which steamed eral passengers said the periscope of silently alongside, some times approacha submarine had been seen, but officers ing as close as 200 yards, till nearly of the Cymric declined to discuss this sunset when the second relay, a fast

course as the Arabic, which was sunk arrival in its sone. Thursday by a German submarine. The The cruiser dropped behind and the Cymric carried 169 passengers of whom destroyer took its place. That night 06 were in the steerage. When the steamer left its dock the guished and every port hole was blan-

high flag pole recently erected at the keted. The passengers slept with life mouth of the Mersey, where all outgoing belts at hand. vessels could not fall to see it. displayed | All next day the convoy was continued the warning that German submarines Four destroyers passed the ship from

36 hours after leaving Liverpool, August places in the boats so that there inight permitted to sail unaccompanied until Cymric sighted a small cruiser, former-

all lights, except candles, were extin-